

## E-Books, Online Resources and Apps for Parents of Young Children

### eBooks etc

**BookFlix:** Scholastic pairs fiction with non fiction and includes author bios, puzzles, and links to other information. (Need library card)

**Ebsco:** Searchable database which includes some pictures book for this age group. Browse by Children's and Young Adult Fiction/NonFiction. (Need library card)

**International Digital Children's Library:** Digitization project through **Internet Archive** and the **University of Maryland**. Browse by color of book, age range, length, award winners, genre, language etc.

**TumbleBooks:** Animation, sound, music and narration added to existing picture books.

### App and Reviews

These review sites are either dedicated to apps or they have a section on apps. Many are searchable/browseable.

**APPitic**

**Common Sense Media**

**Digital Storytime**

**Parent's Choice**

**Smart Apps for Kids**

### Professional Review Sources

These are sources that librarians use to determine what paper books are the very best; now they review apps too (mostly for iPad, but expanding slowly)

**The Horn Book**

**Kirkus Reviews**

**School Library Journal**

## Recommended Reading on Early Literacy and How Children Learn in our Parenting Collection

Call #	Author	Title
028.55 Family	Sutton, Roger (editor)	<b>A Family of Readers: the Book Lover's Guide to Children's and Young Adult Literature</b> (2011)
Thoughtful essays on the best books for all ages, and how to select great books for your child.		
303.4834 Steyer	Steyer, James	<b>Talking Back to Facebook: the Common Sense Guide to Raising Kids in the Digital Age</b> (2012)
Essential and timely advice to parents from the founder & CEO of Common Sense Media, providing age-specific guidelines for sharing digital media with children.		
305.231 Galinsky	Galinsky, Ellen	<b>Mind in the Making: the Seven Essential Life Skills Every Child Needs</b> (2010)
Based on solid research, this book discusses the skills children need to succeed and offers a wealth of parent-child activities to develop them and promote a child's passion for learning.		
305.231 Hirsh-Pasek	Hirsh-Pasek, K.	<b>Einstein Never Used Flash Cards</b> (2004)
Presents research on how children learn, suggesting that they learn best through play, which develops problem solving ability, attention span, social/emotional skills and creativity.		
372.45 Trelease	Trelease, Jim	<b>The Read-Aloud Handbook</b> , 6th ed., (2006)
The classic guide to the many benefits of reading aloud to your child, as well as proven techniques. The included "Treasury of Read-Alouds" suggests superb starting points.		
372.452 Dollins	Dollins, Cynthia	<b>The ABCs of Literacy</b> (2008)
How to select and use engaging read-aloud literature to cultivate your child's love of reading as well as phonics skills, vocabulary, comprehension and writing ability.		
372.6 Gentry	Gentry, Richard	<b>Raising Confident Readers</b> (2010)
Practical suggestions for fostering strong literacy skills in your child from the start.		